



# Applications of ANSYS/Multiphysics at NASA/Goddard Space Flight Center

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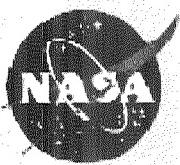
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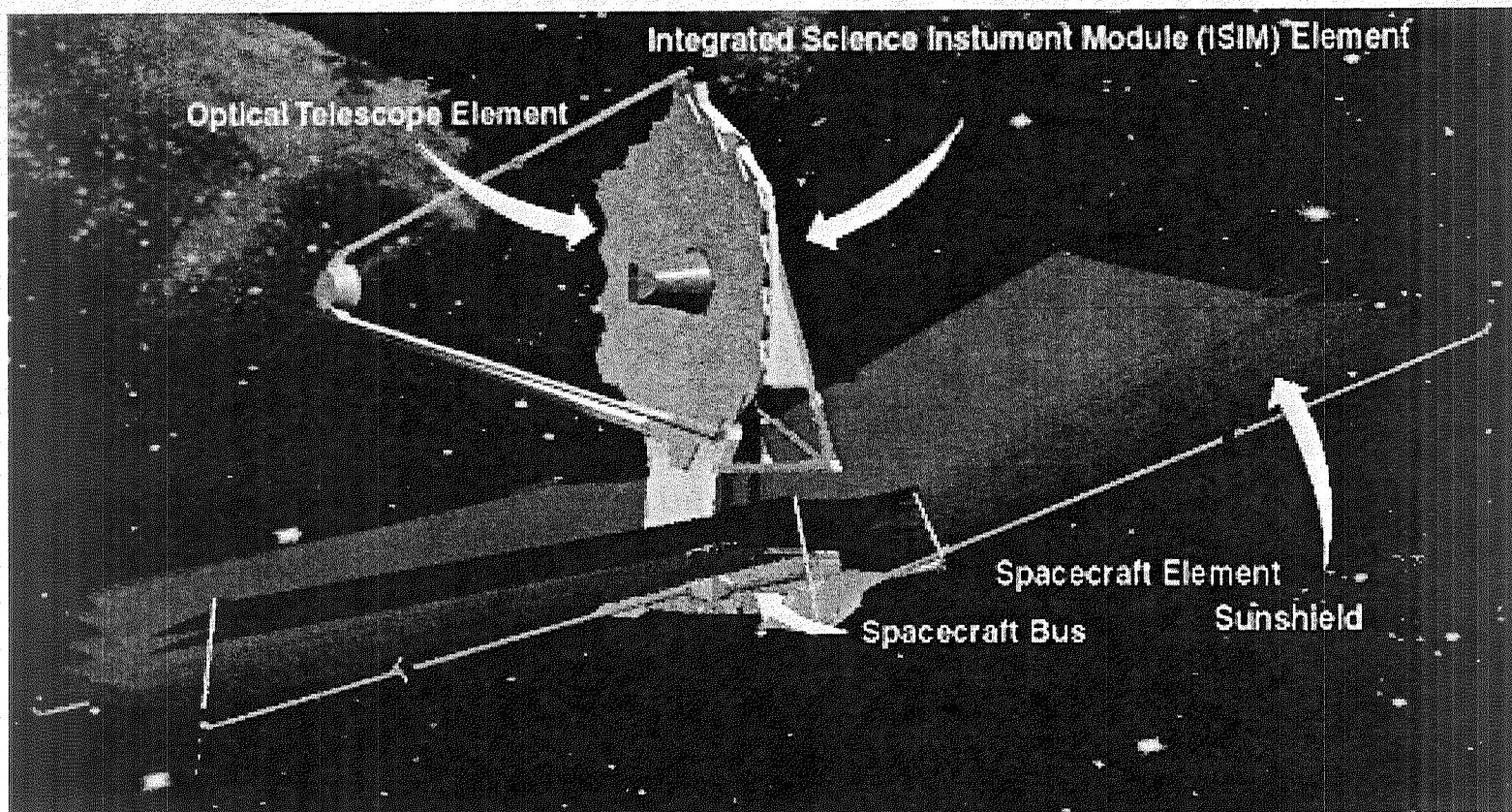


# MEMS Structural Analysis

- Projects:
  - Micro-mirror Array for JWST
  - Micro-shutter Array for JWST
  - MEMS FP Tunable Filter
  - AstroE2 Micro-calorimeter
- Types of Analysis:
  - Electrostatic/Structural Interaction
  - Electromagnetic/Structural Interaction
  - Geometric and Material Nonlinear Analysis
- Software:
  - ANSYS Multiphysics

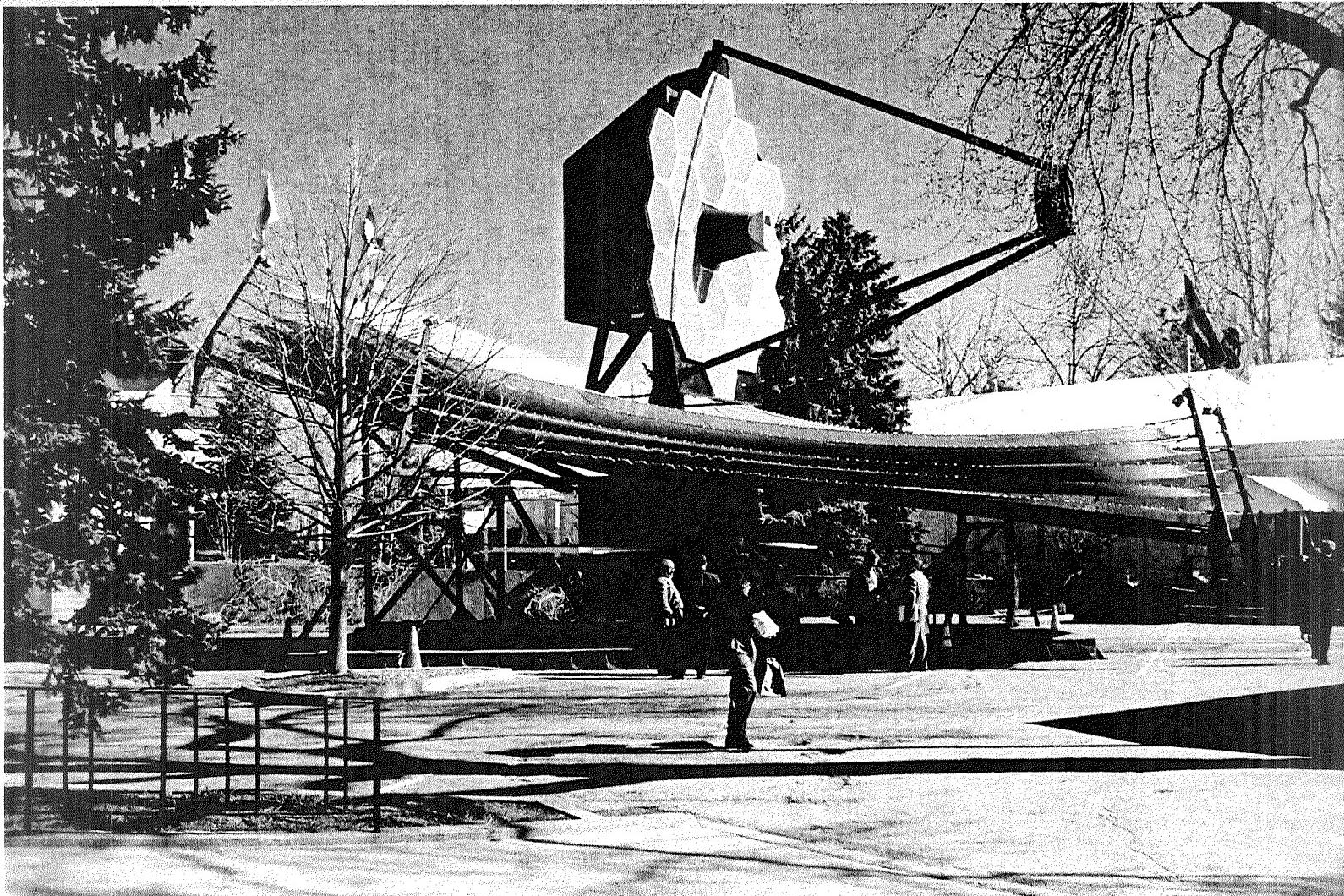


# James Webb Space Telescope (JWST)



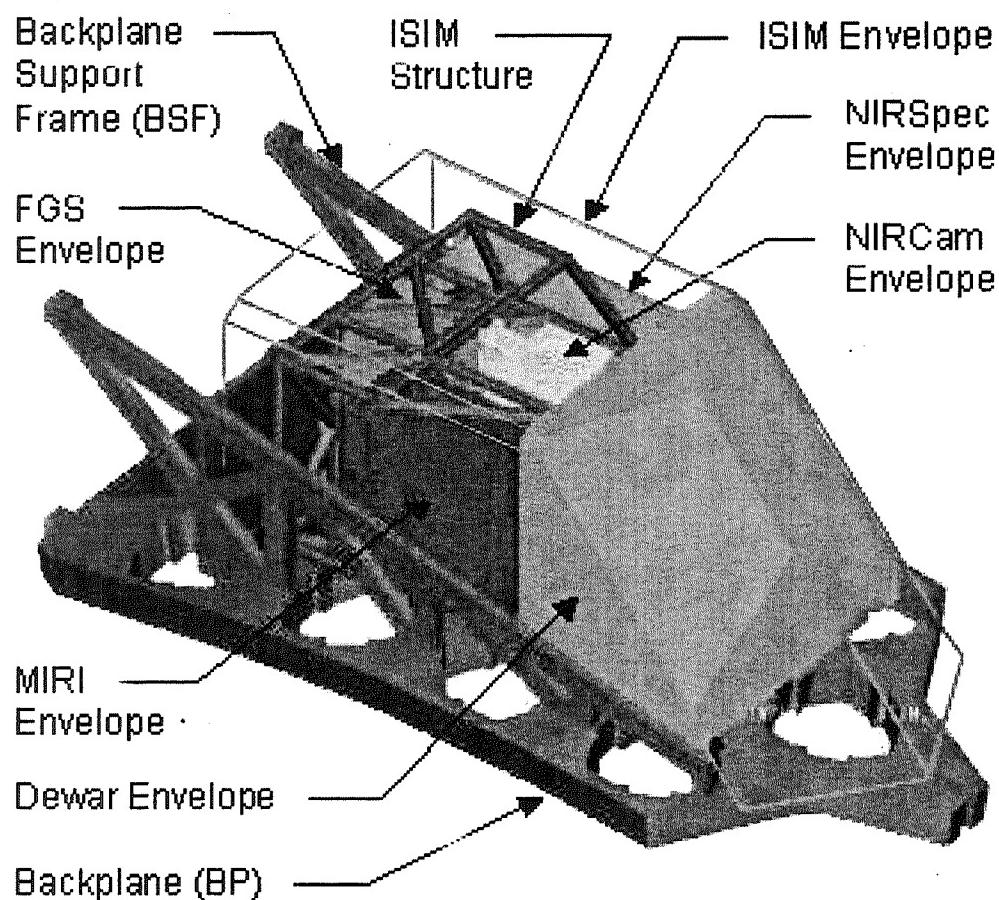


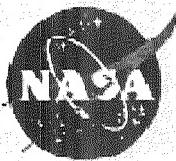
# JWST Relative Size



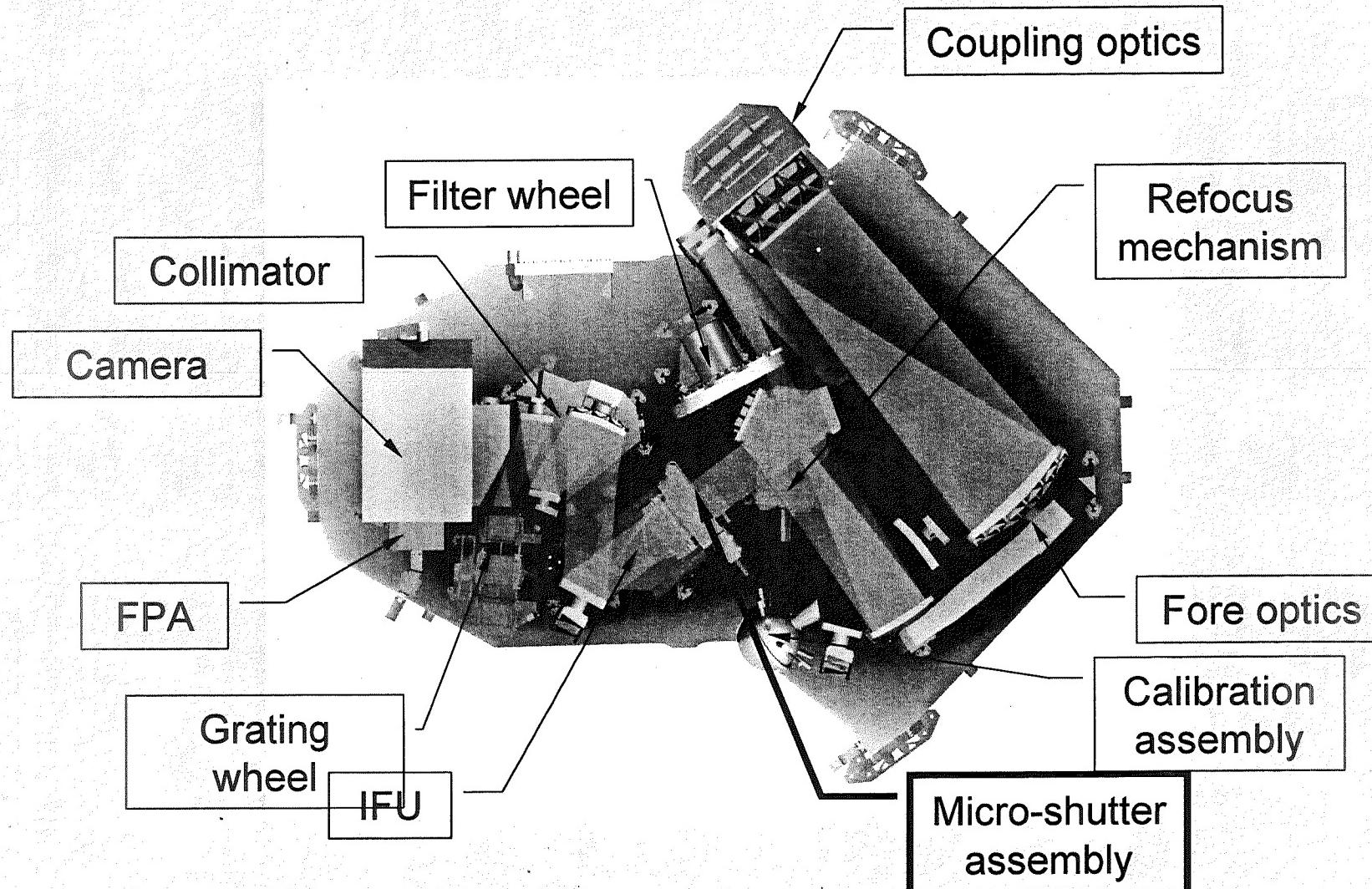


# Integrated Science Instrument Module (ISIM)



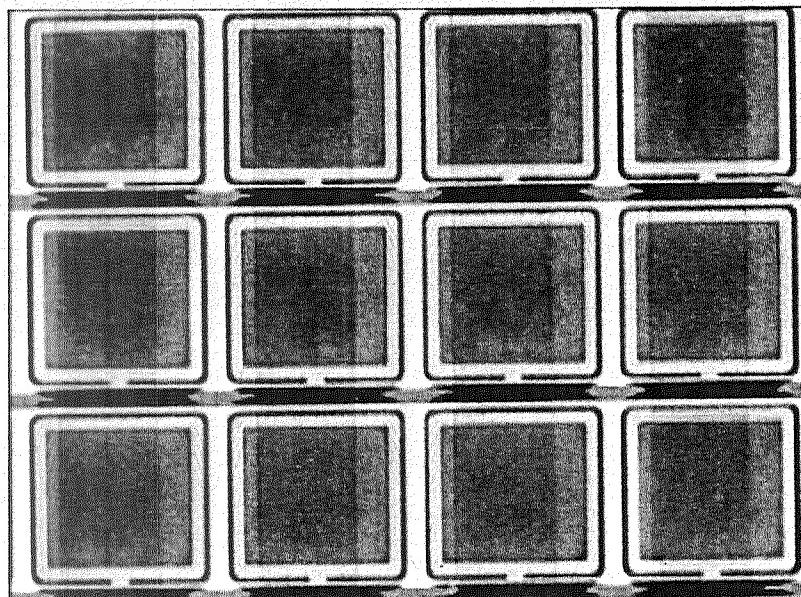


# NIRSpec Instrument Layout





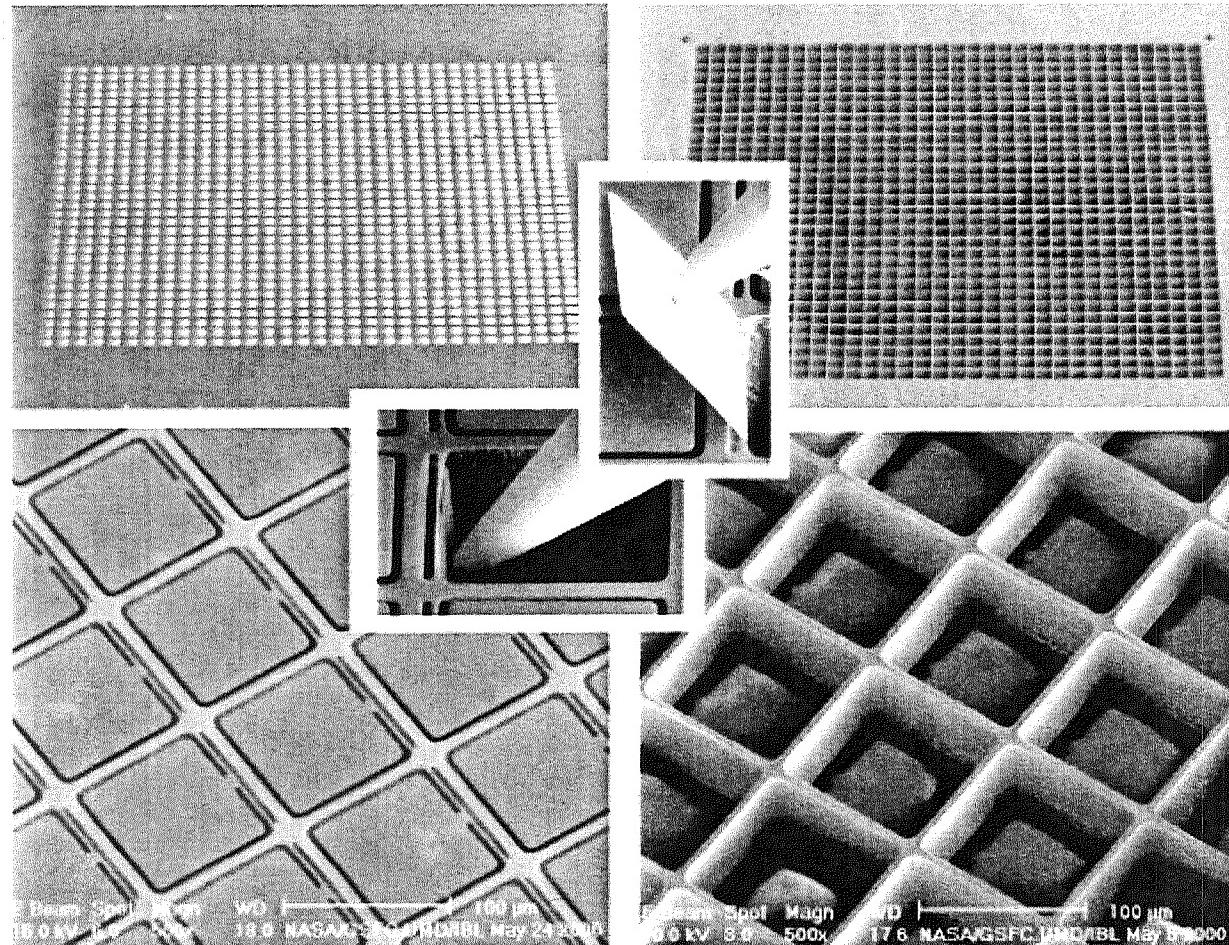
# Micro-shutter Array



- The micro-shutter array is used as a transmissible filter in the Near Infrared Spectrometer.
- The shutter is etched from silicon nitride.
- The array grid is single crystal silicon
- Iron Cobalt is deposited onto the shutter paddle and is used for magnetic actuation.
- Aluminum is deposited onto the shutter as the ground electrode for electrostatic latching.



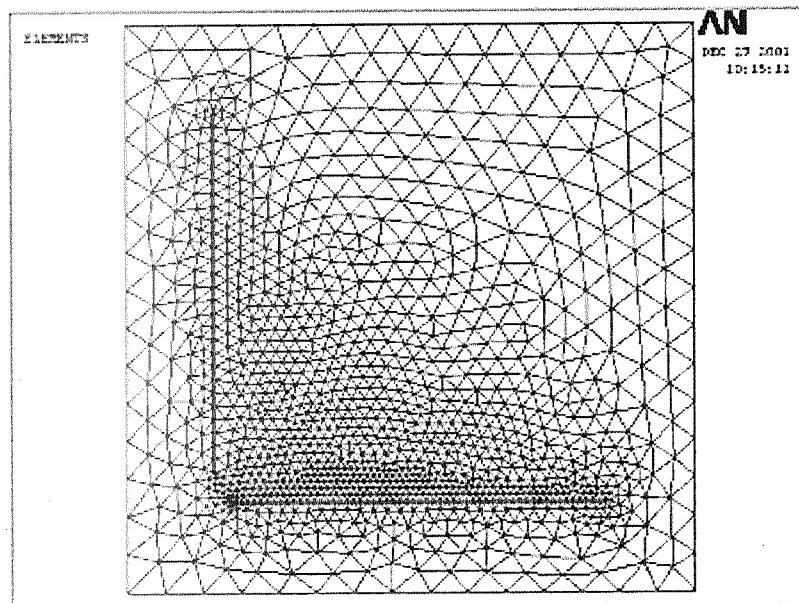
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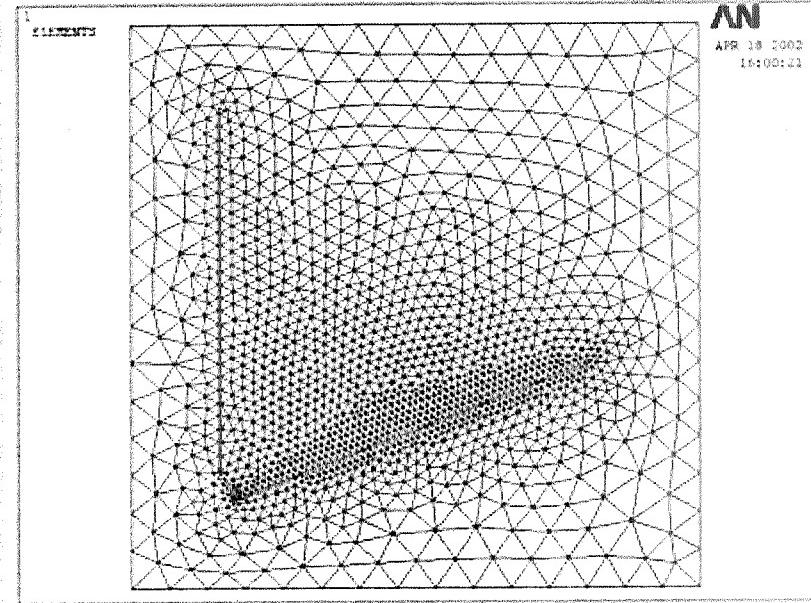


# Early Micro-shutter Electrostatic Results

- 2D Structural/Electrostatic FEM Using ANSYS Multiphysics v5.7
- High voltage required for pure electrostatic actuation led to the shutter's magnetic actuation with electrostatic latching.



0 Volts

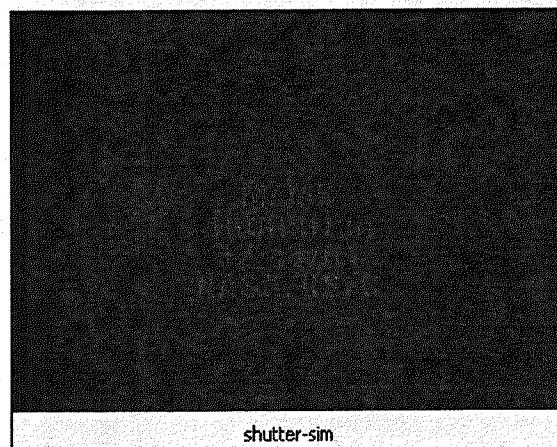


625 Volts



# Micro-shutter Simulation

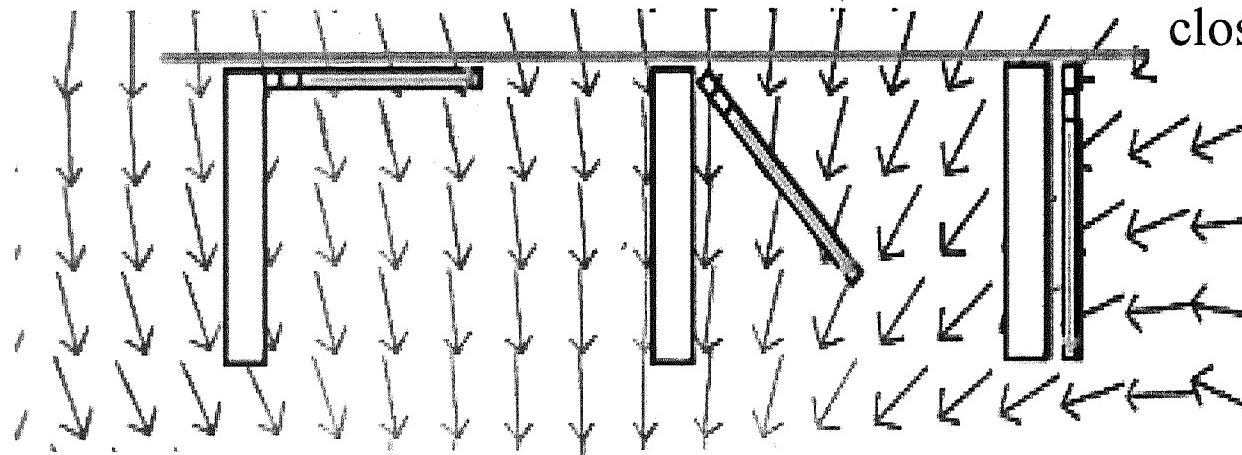
- animation created by Tim Carnahan/542





# Micro-shutter Magnetic Actuation

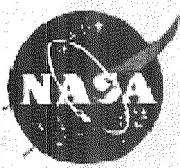
Shutter is moved down as it is moved through magnetic field



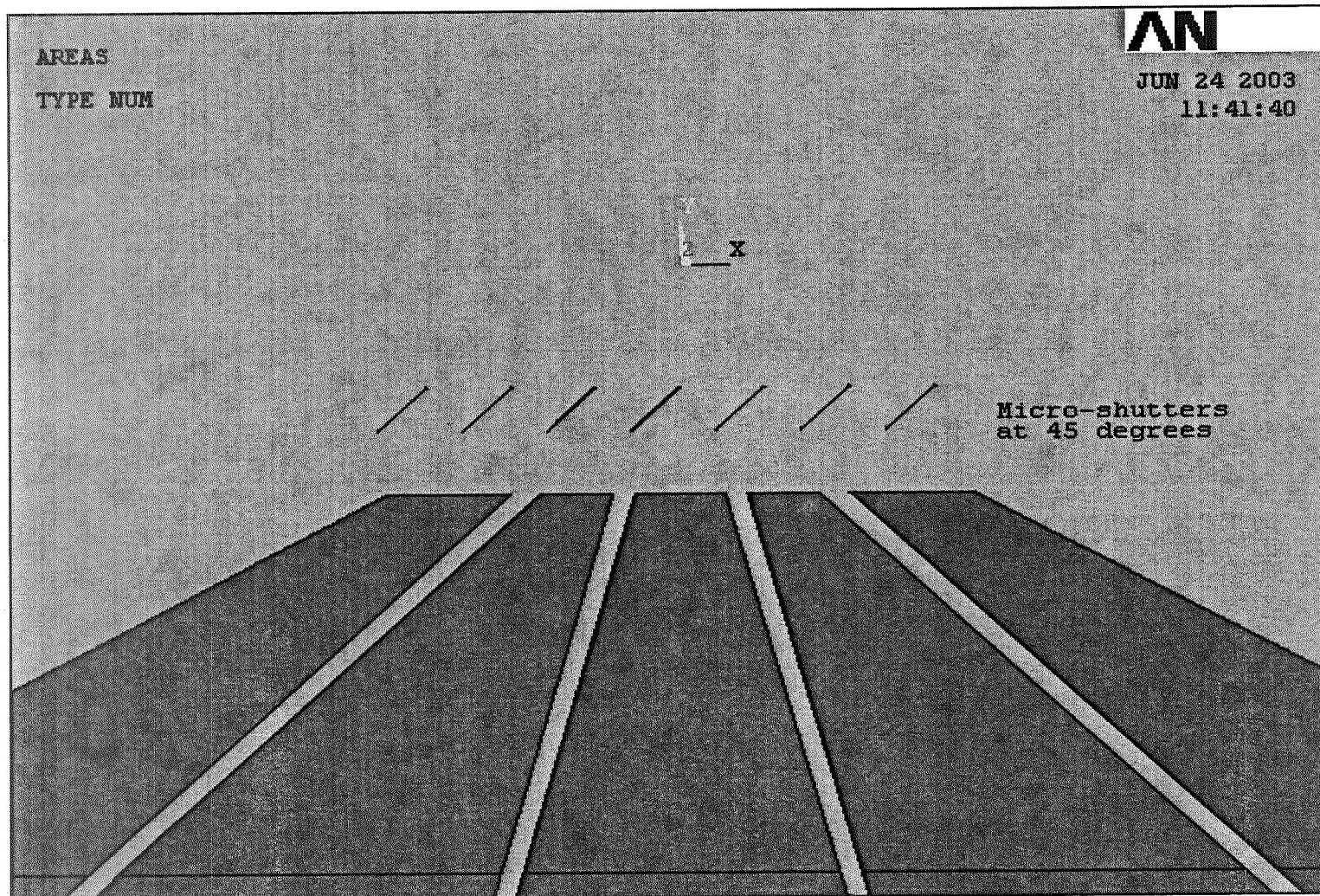
Magnetic metal on shutter  
is magnetized

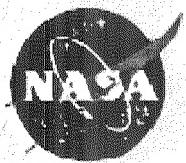
Shutter is electrostatically captured and held in vertical position

Transparent electrode holds closed shutters closed

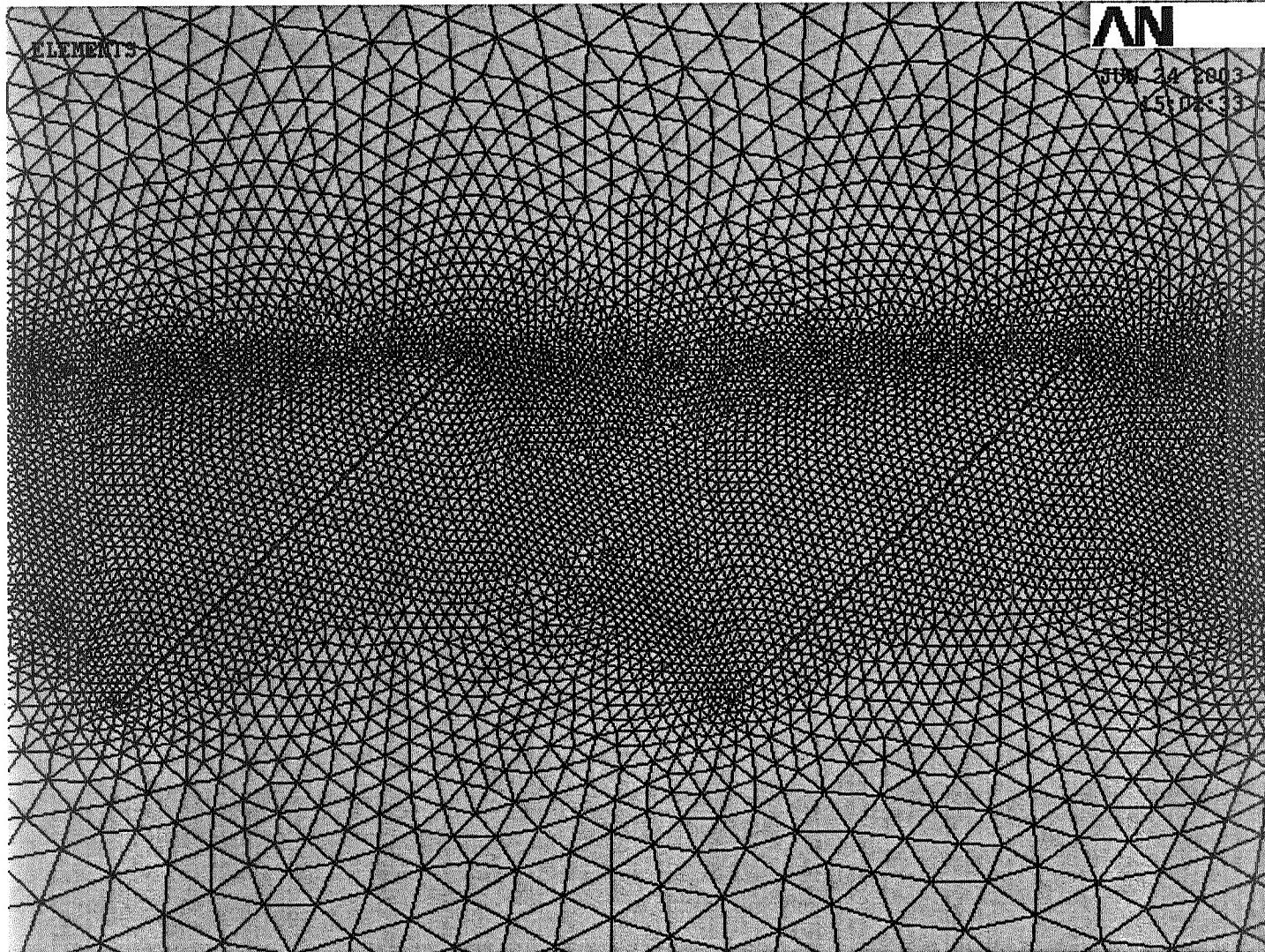


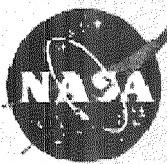
# ANSYS Electromagnetic/Structural Model



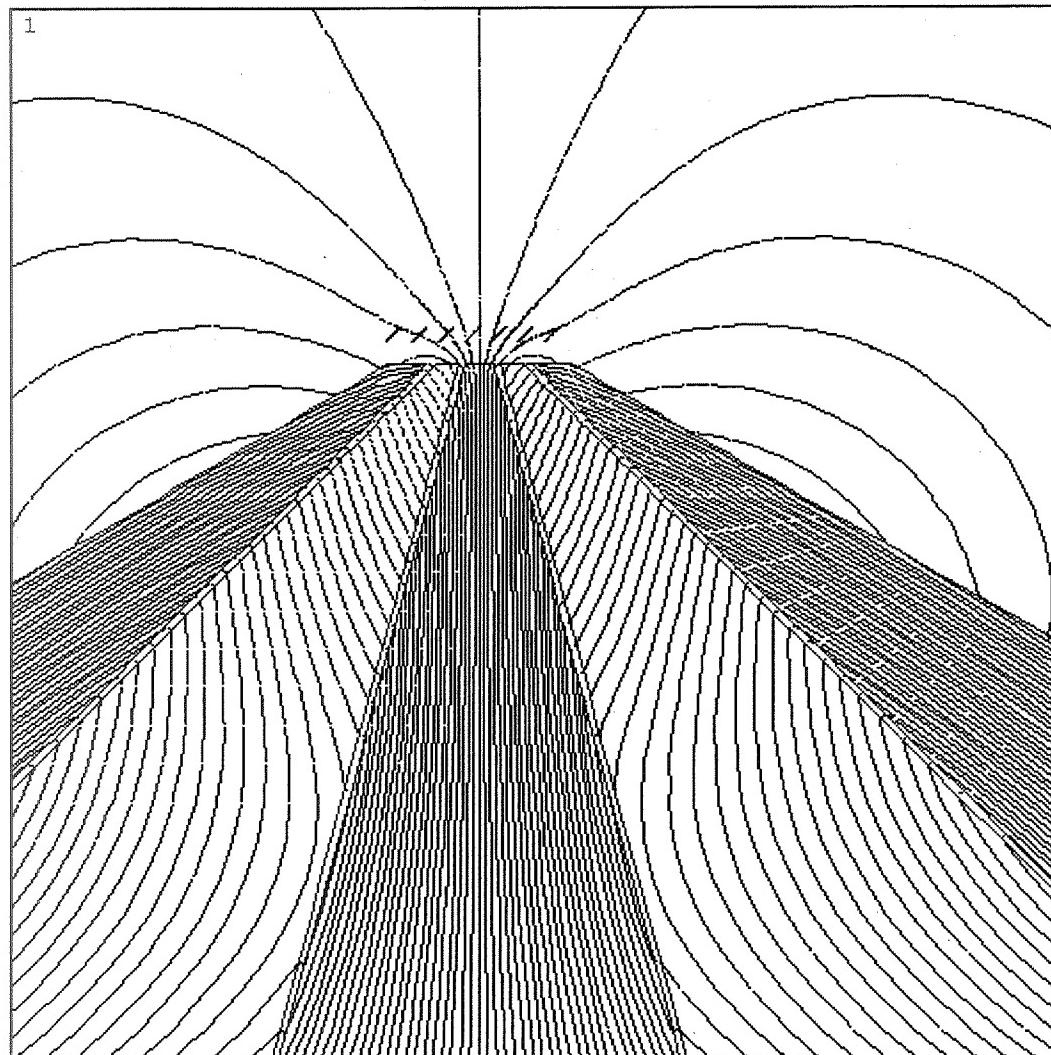


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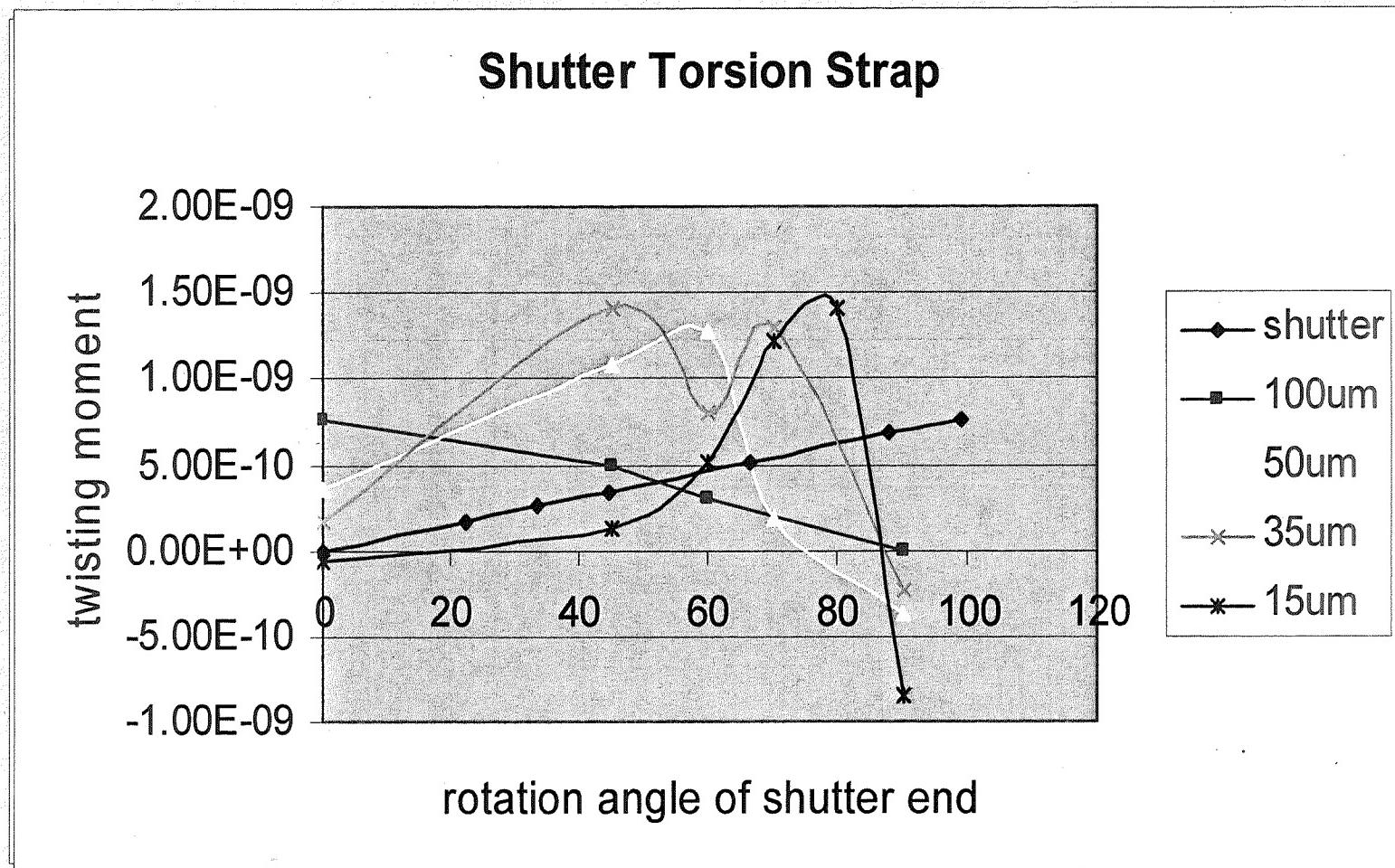
# Magnetic Flux Lines from the Ansys Magnetic Solve



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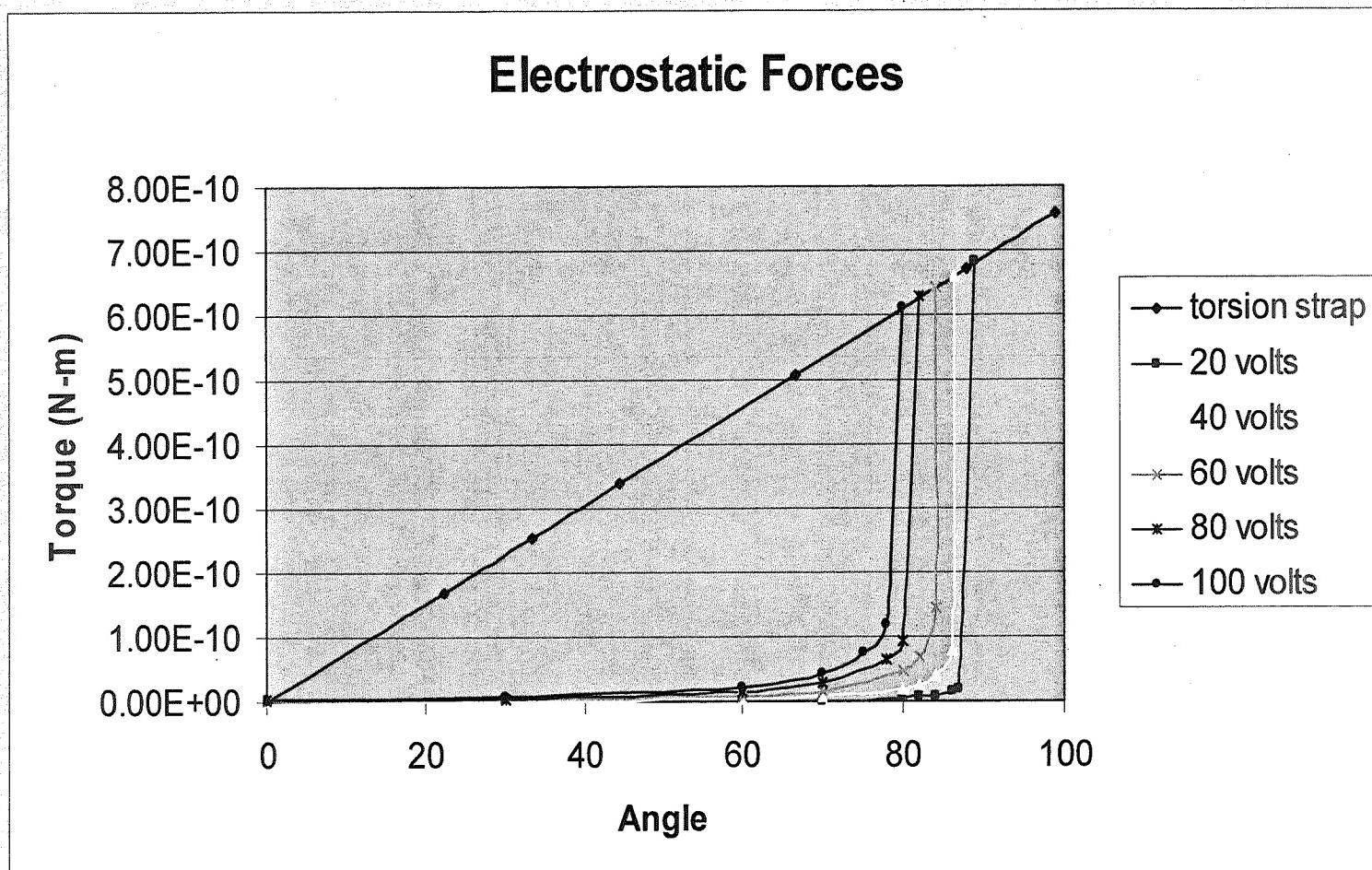


# ANSYS Electromagnetic Results





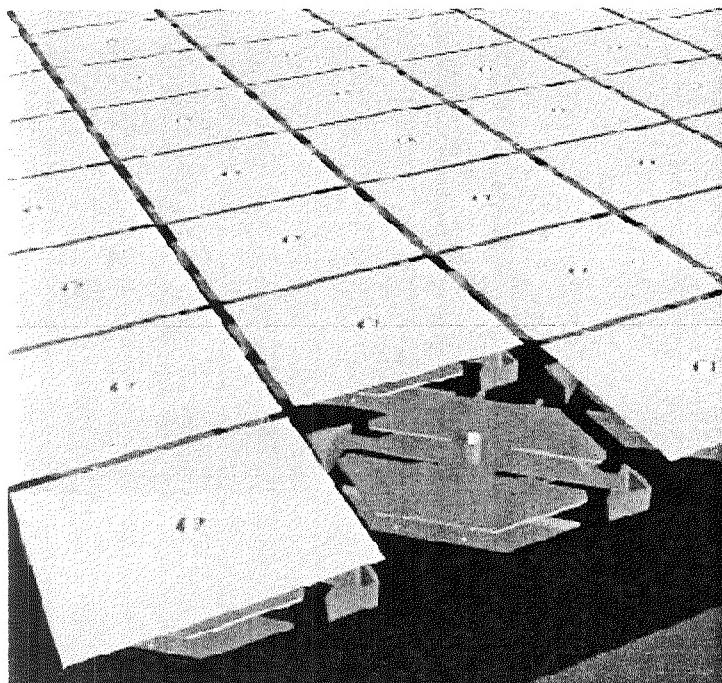
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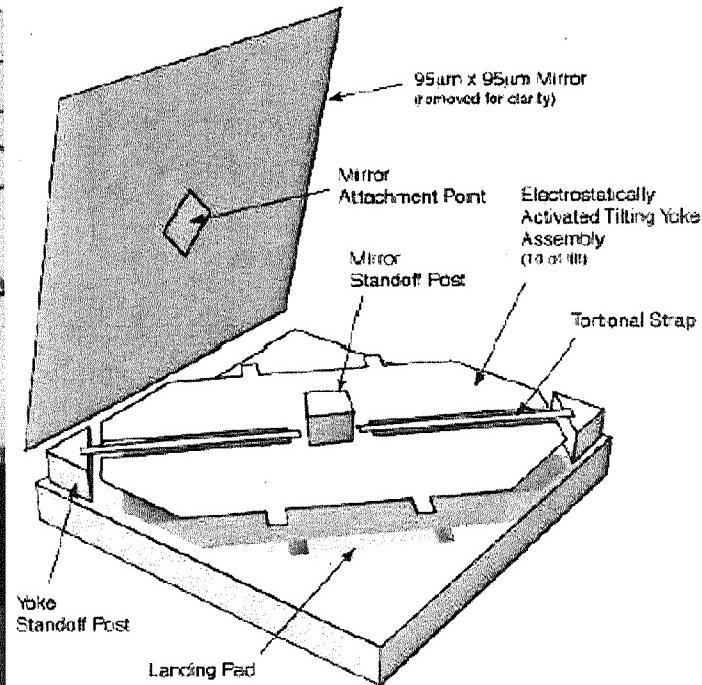


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## Micro-Mirror Schematic



Artist's concept of the MMA

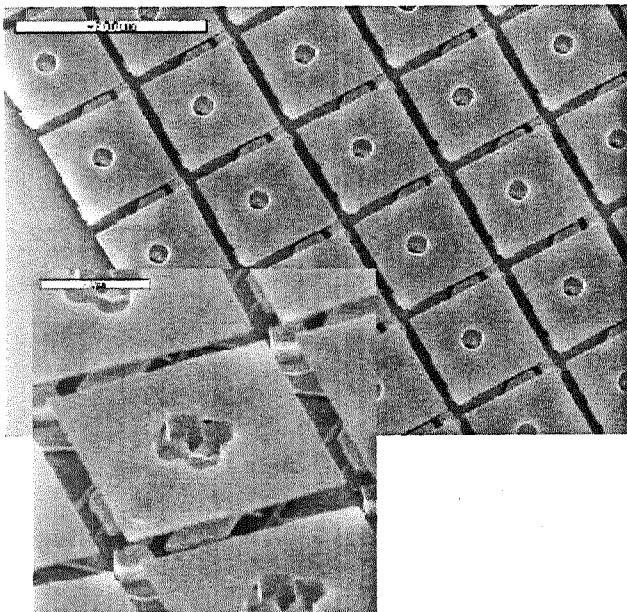


Artist's concept of a single mirror

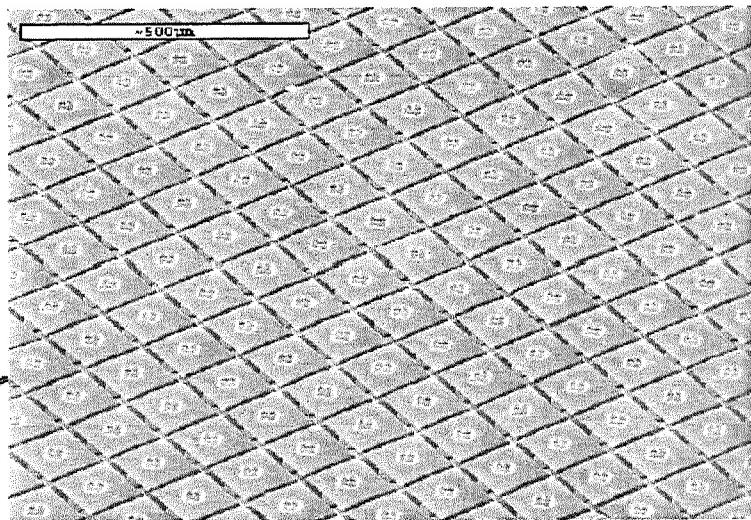


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## Micro-Mirror-Array



Dry Release of the  
Micro-Mirror-Array

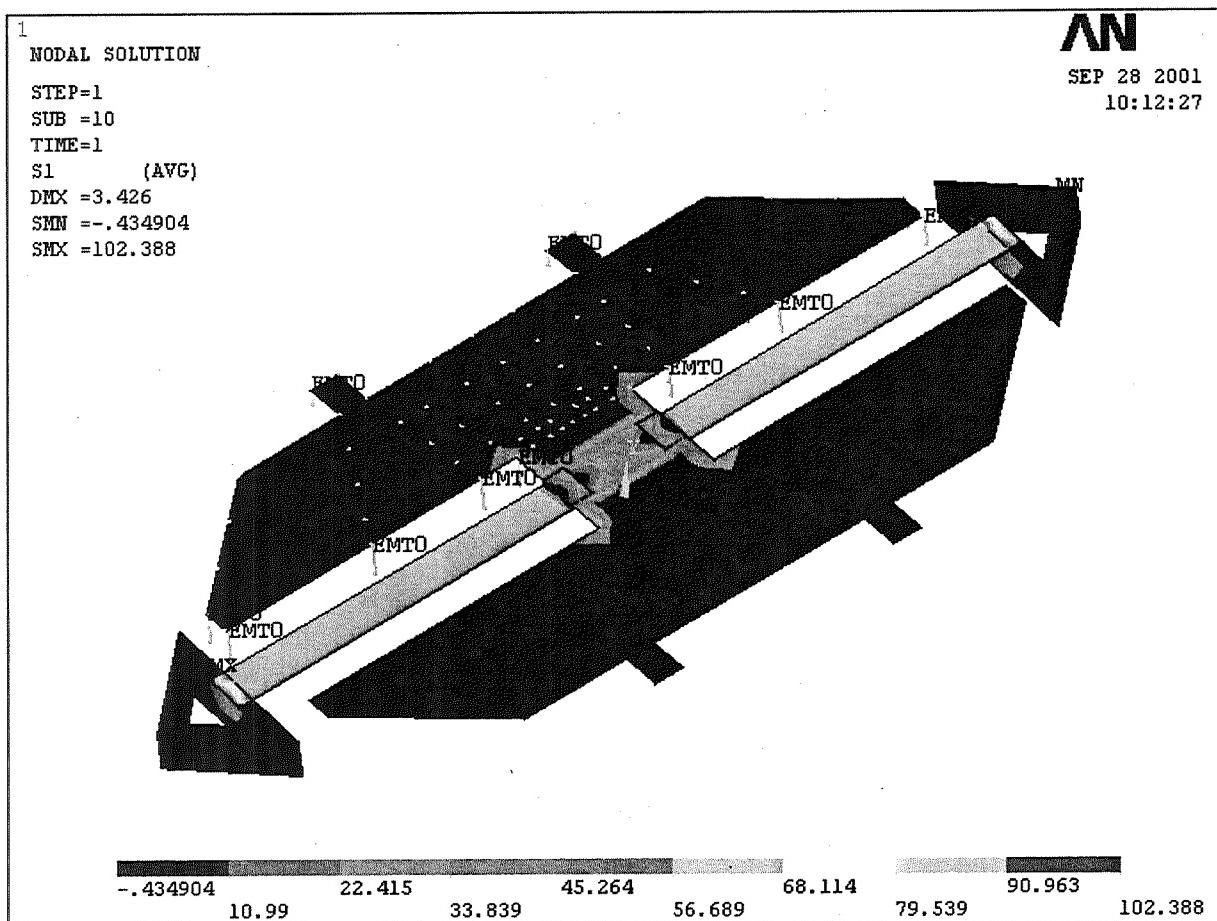


Recent improvement  
in the array size



# 3-D Micro-mirror Results

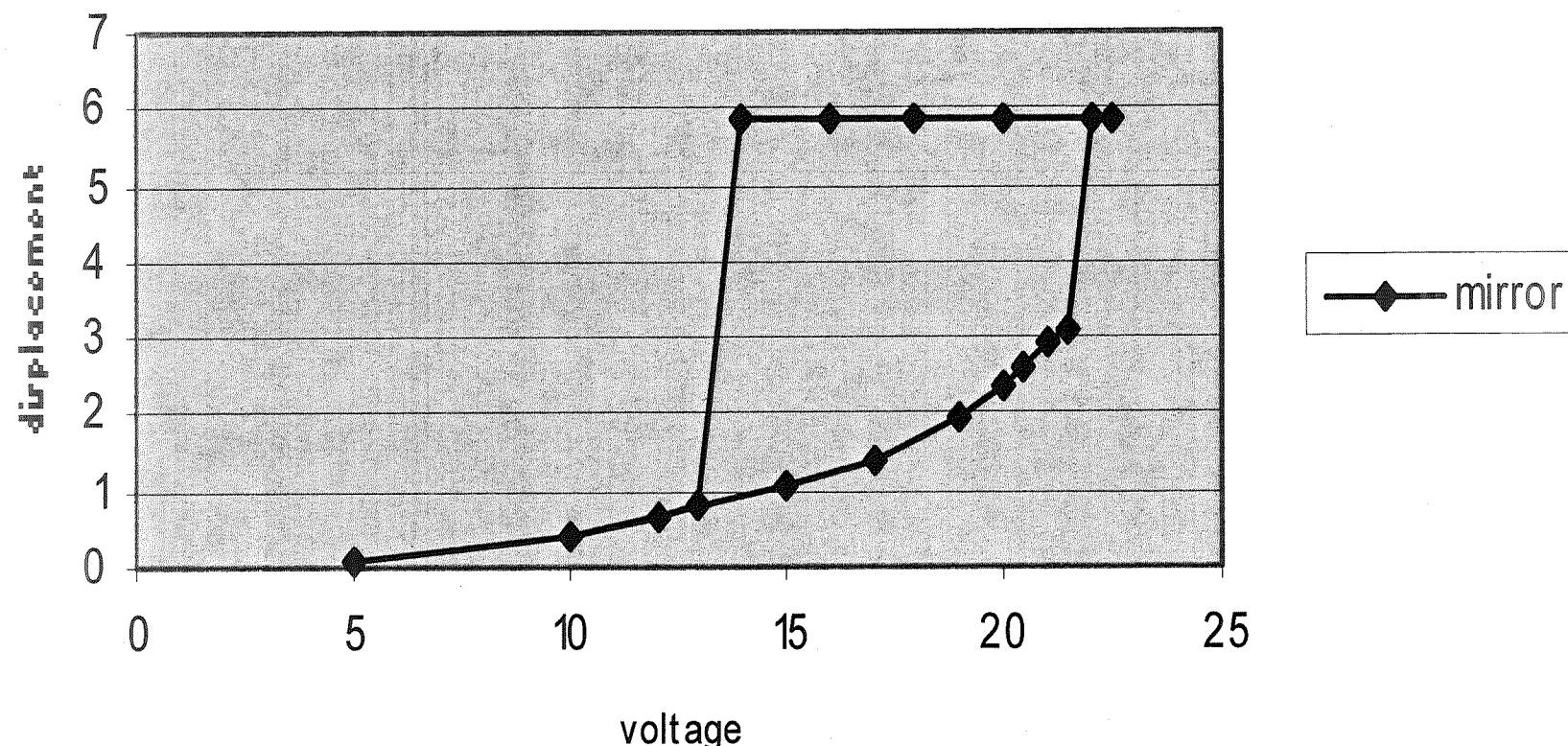
- 100 $\mu\text{m}$  x 100 $\mu\text{m}$  mirror electrostatically actuated at 50°K using nonlinear 1100 series Al properties





# 2-D Micro-mirror Electrostatic Snap-on and Release Voltages

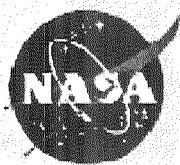
micro-mirro snap-on voltge





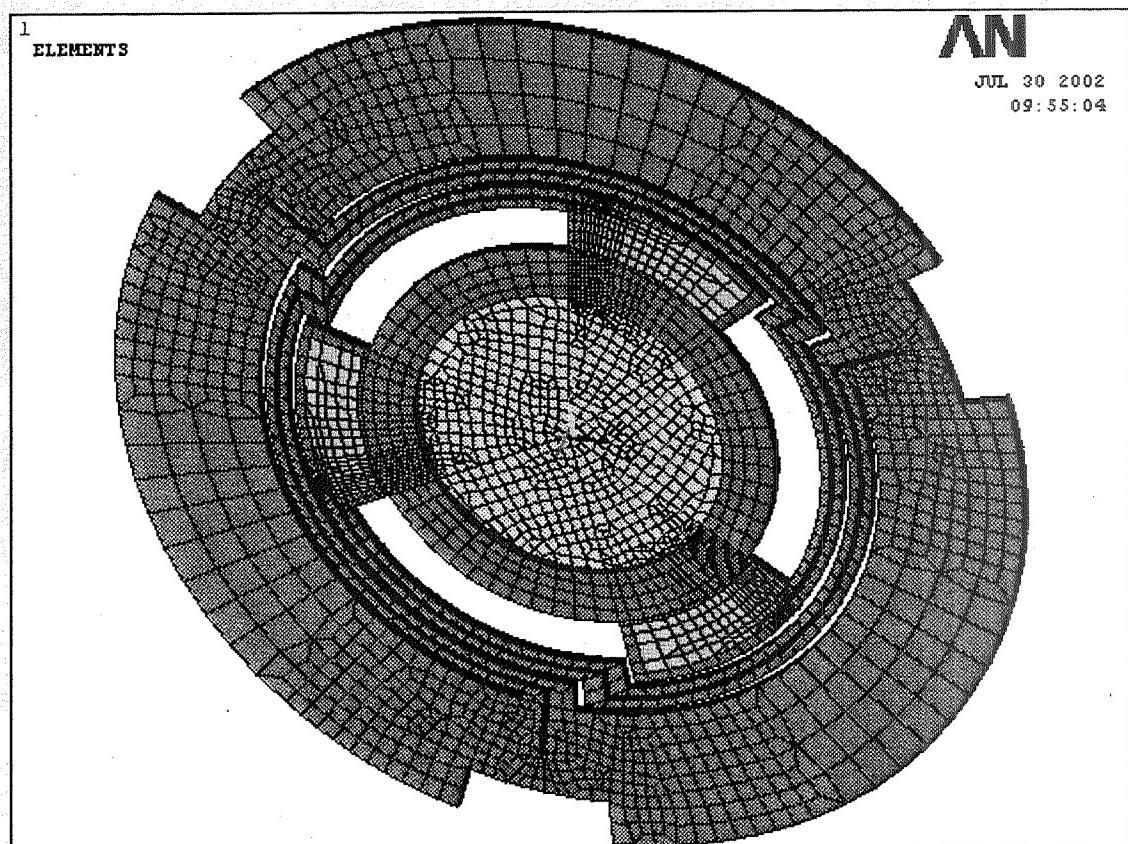
# MEMS Electrostatically Actuated Fabry-Perot Tunable Filter

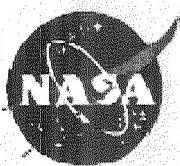




# Micro-Scale Fabry-Perot

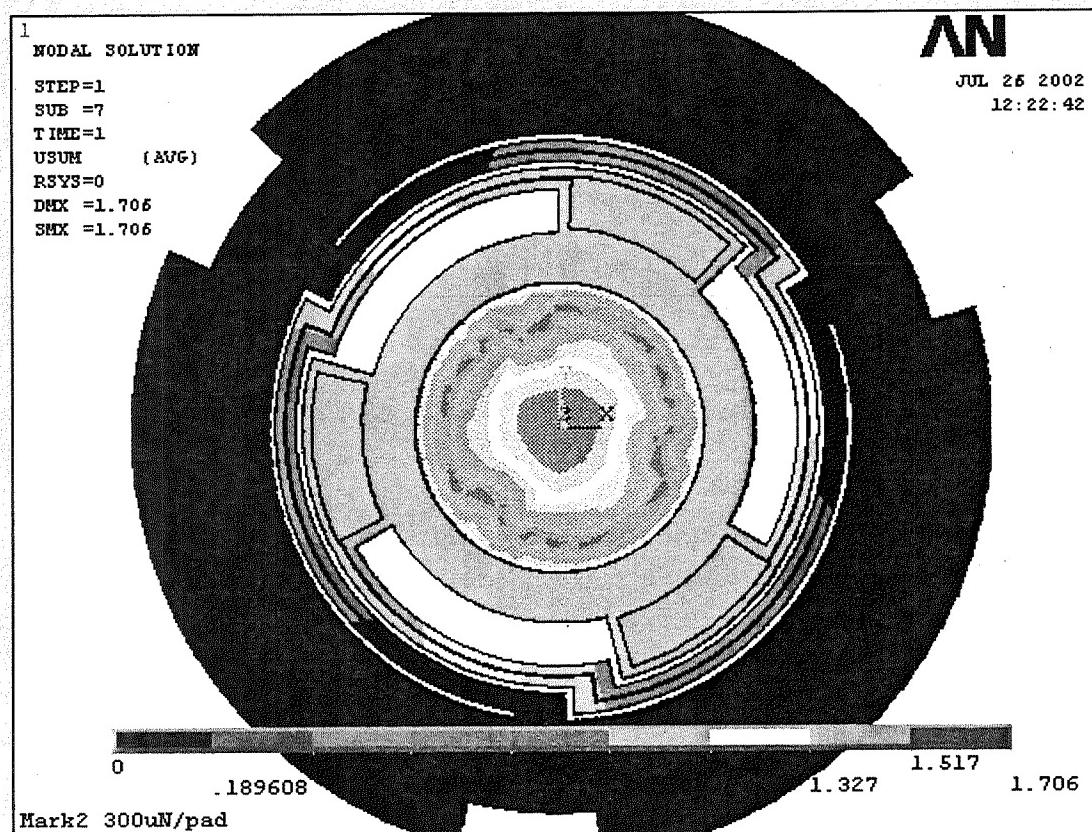
- Current 3D FEM: Top Etalon Plate ( $t=325\mu\text{m}$ )
  - 11.000mm Aperture
  - 32.650mm O.D.
  - Spring Width =  $800\mu\text{m}$
  - Optical Gap =  $17.5\mu\text{m}$





# Micro-Scale Fabry-Perot

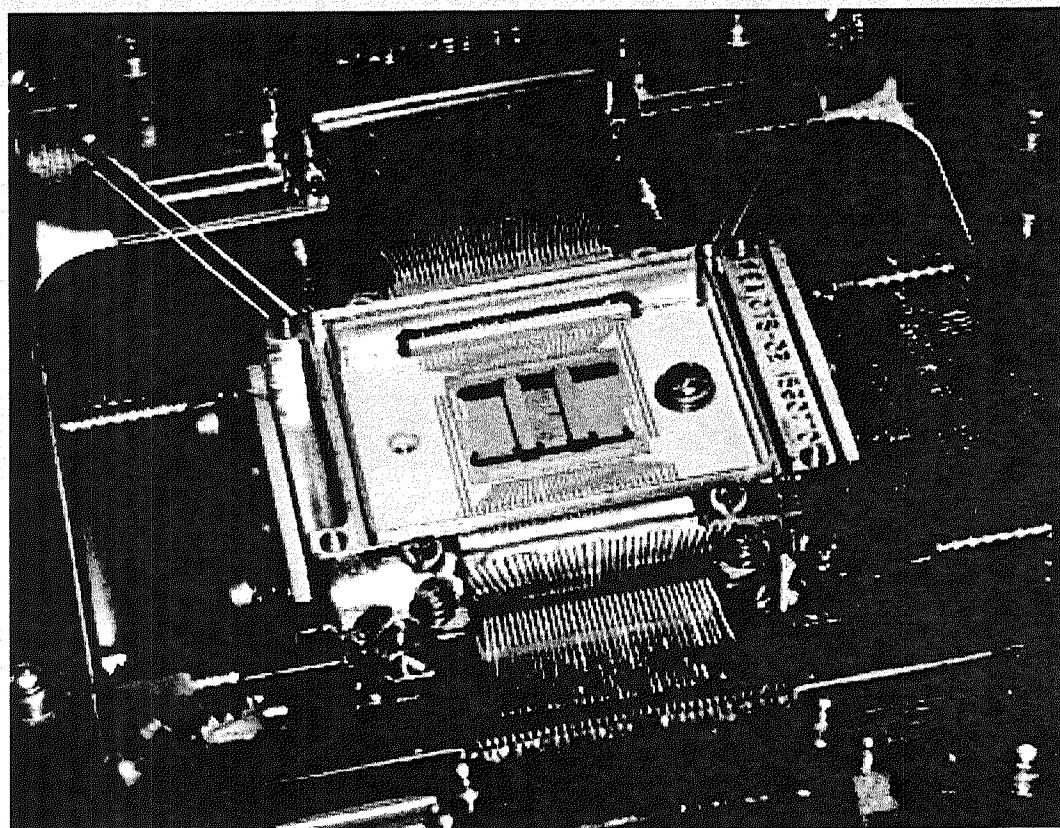
- Static Non-Linear Force-Deflection FEA



$$F_{app} = 300\mu\text{N}/\text{pad} = 900\mu\text{N}; K_{mech} = \sim 630\mu\text{N}/\mu\text{m}$$



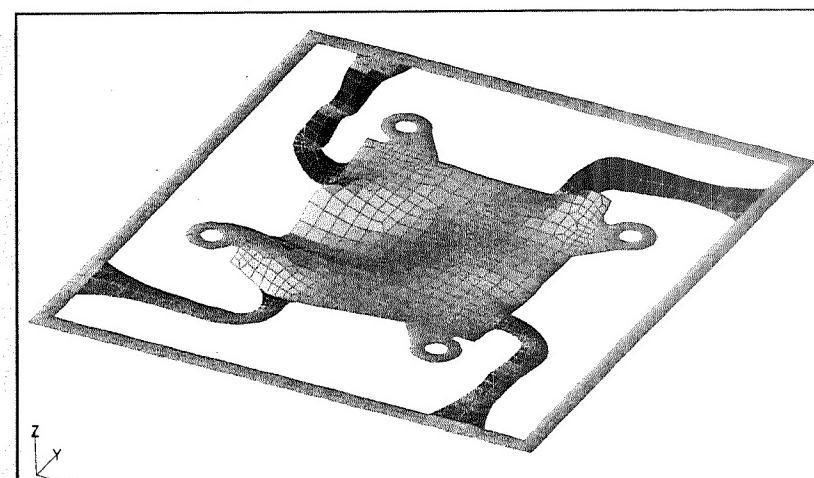
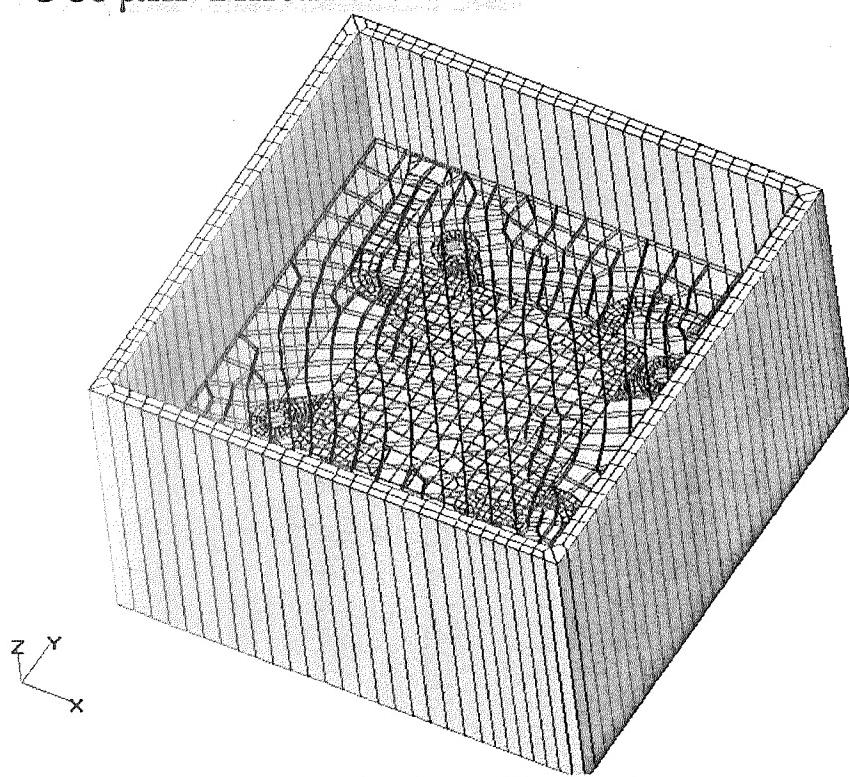
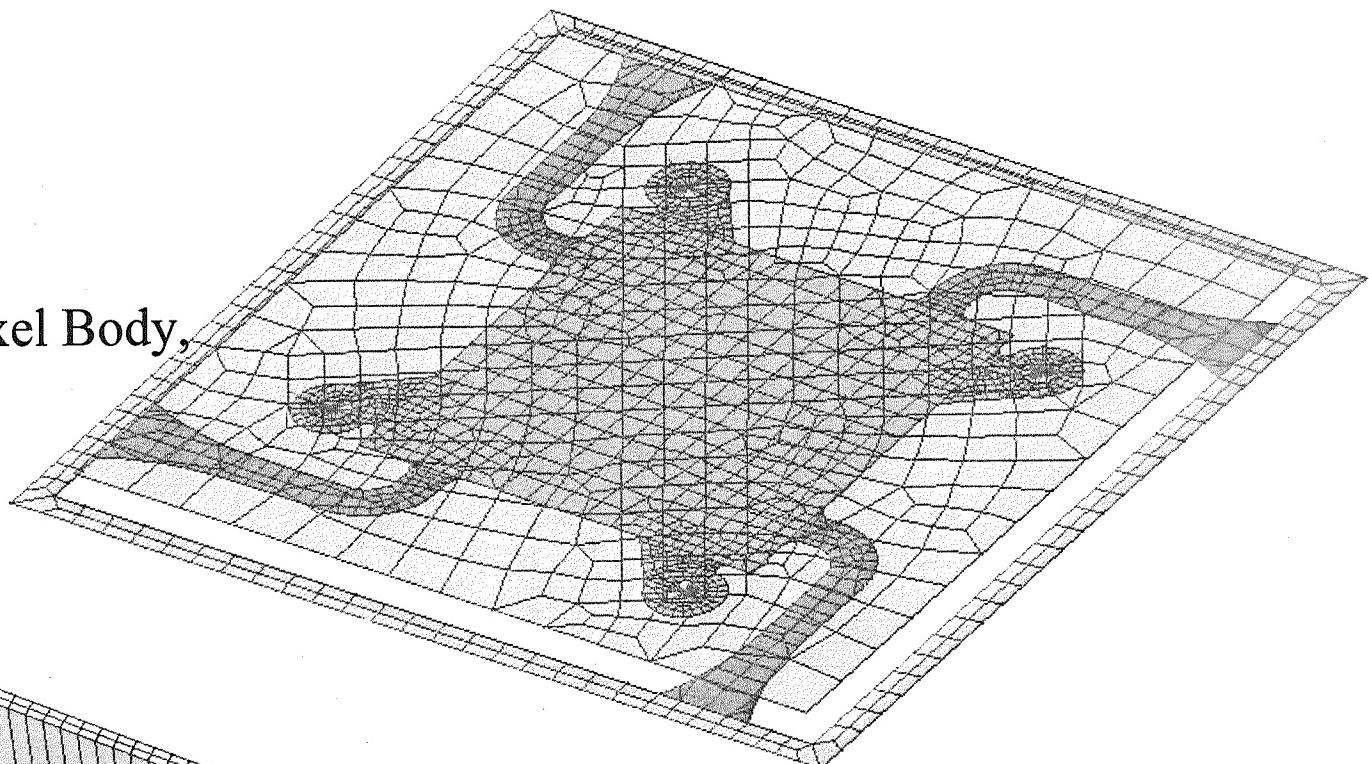
# AstroE2 Micro-calorimeter





$300\mu\text{m}^2$  Si Pixel Body,  
1.5 $\mu\text{m}$  Thick

DRIE Etch From  
385 $\mu\text{m}$  Thick Frame

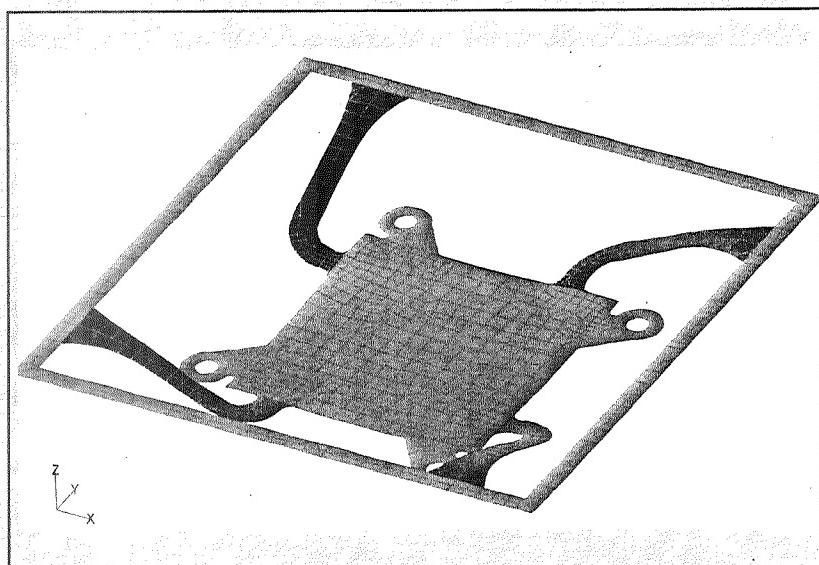


(c) Pre-Stressed Fundamental Mode Shape:  $f_n = 6964$  Hz

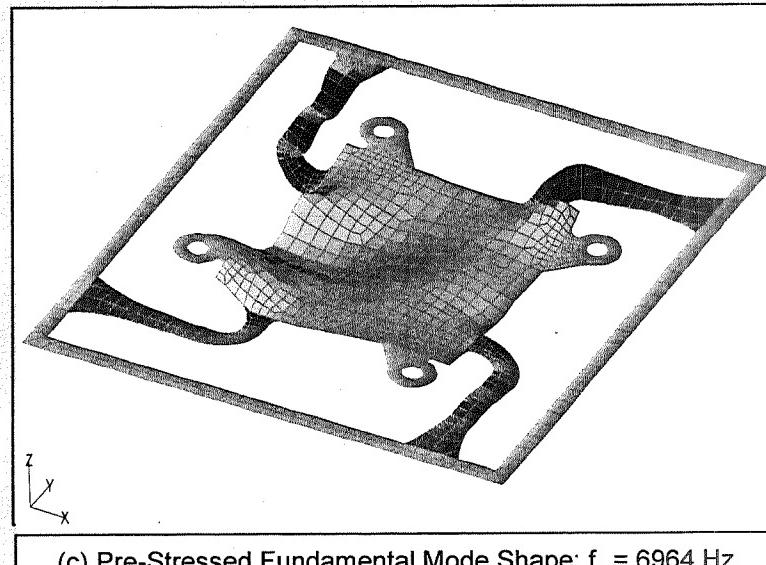


# Detailed Pixel Dynamics Analysis

- Prestressed Modal Analysis



(a)  $f_n = 2823$  Hz; with 4 SU8 Tab Attachments to  
Absorber



(c) Pre-Stressed Fundamental Mode Shape:  $f_n = 6964$  Hz